

There is a scarcity of sugar and this is no time to mobilize the honey bee.

Faced by the horrors of a sugar famine some people will be driven to eating candy.

It is well enough to hope for an early peace, but working for a speedy victory is much better.

Much has been said in praise of the fireless cooker, but the fireless heater has no friends.

The tanks that won the Cambrai front were not the kind that crawl home at 2 a. m.

It is impossible to conserve the use of food in the family by merely hanging a card in the window.

London reports turkeys at \$15 and rabbits at \$2.12. Surely this must be per cwt. It can't be each.

If, as reported, the Germans are eating dogs, does this mean the elimination of the dachshund?

With rare presence of mind the department of agriculture is trying to change the subject to gardens.

The hotel men, it is understood, are giving three cheers for wheatless and meatless days. There is a reason.

Some people who say that Americans have no sense of beauty never saw the knitting-bag brigade in action.

The cold wave has taught the country a lesson which ought to make fuel shortage impossible in the future.

Economy is doing without, but it's hardly good economy to ask the workman to get along without his wages.

There were never enough railroad cars for peace times, and with a war to supply something was bound to give way.

According to the new psychological charts in the army, a man with flat feet may serve his country, but not with a flat head.

What a football manager Hindenburg would make, with his consummate ability to cook up bear stories about his camp!

One now begins to understand the reasoning of the woman who carried a thermometer in her pocket so that she could enjoy the weather.

The announcement that summer shoes are to be simple fails to overcome the financial complications involved in getting a pair.

The old saying about "a rich man's war and a poor man's fight" loses point when the proceedings of the exemption boards are examined.

Nineteen and a half billion dollars was the value of our farm products last year, and that's quite a bit of money even for these times in this country.

Considering the increasing cost a great many young fellows admit the truth of the statement that 'tis better to have loved and lost than never to have lost at all.

The atrocities of war are not confined to Europe. Some people, wishing to help us muddle through, are advocating an "eat-an-onion day."

Butter is selling in Berlin at \$2.25 a pound. Perhaps that is one of the reasons the Kaiser does not know which side of his bread is buttered.

All indications are to the effect that the only place where the eligible man of draft age will be made to feel at home is in the army training camp.

Silk as a substitute for the more costly gingham is one of the instances how in these upside-down times the whirligig of time is taking its revenge.

What the men of this country need more than anything else is a collar that will allow a four-in-hand necktie to slip through without twisting the collar or tearing the tie.

Exercise is a good means of keeping warm and there is no limit on it. Even exercise of the imagination as to the precise causes of congestion and congestion is permissible.

Germany has produced some great thinkers, says an exchange. The difficulty, however, is that they don't seem to be working at it just now.

Somebody has discovered that the eggs of the crocodile are good to eat. The food situation has evidently driven some folks desperate.

Our sympathy goes out to the man who, coming over here from Paris in order to get fed up carnivorously at the center of the meat industry, arrived on meatless Tuesday.

It appears that one of the worst of the pacifist tribe is the fellow who is willing to let peace take its time about getting here instead of trying to hasten its coming by rushing the war preparations that are under his control.

The conductor who delays the schedule of his street car while two women kiss goodby ought to be popular with these particular women, but it is tough on the balance of the passengers who are in a hurry to get somewhere.



1—Mrs. G. O. Jones of New York, who has just returned from a wedding tour in Russia, where she had many thrilling experiences. 2—This is one of the scenes witnessed by Mrs. Jones, Russian soldiers besieging the house of the duma; later they aided the bolshevik uprising, shooting down cadets, young girls and women. 3—What was once a beautiful forest of Verbot now a barren waste due to German shells.

### CLEARING UP THE DEBRIS AFTER A BATTLE



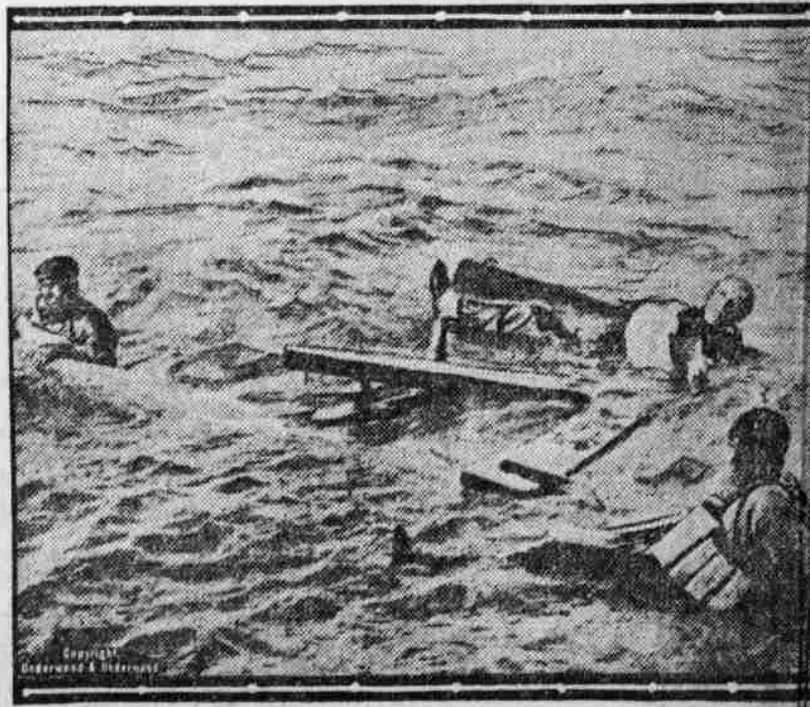
French salvage corps going over the battlefield after an engagement and salvaging undamaged implements of war.

### CAMERAMAN AWAITING THE EXPLOSION OF GERMAN SHELLS



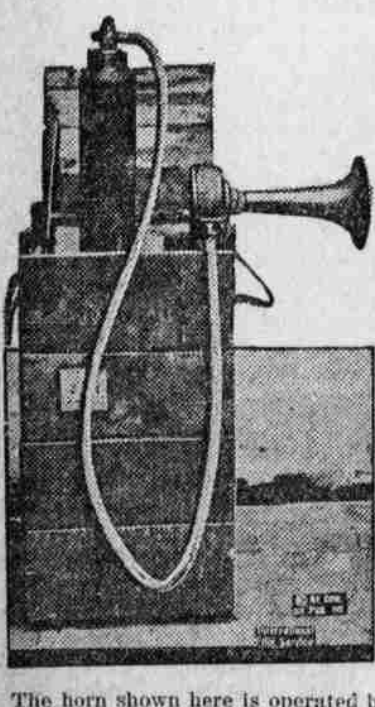
The photographer with moving picture camera is standing patiently waiting to picture the explosions of German shells in the valley below, as Teuton gunners situated over the hilltop have just found the range.

### VICTIMS OF THE BOCHE PIRATES



Here is an unusual photograph of the three sole surviving members of the crew of a ship torpedoed without warning by a German U-boat. The picture was taken by one of the rescue party, which found the sailors clinging to spars and bits of wreckage after they had floated in the icy waters for a day and a half.

### WARNS OF GAS ATTACK



The horn shown here is operated by means of compressed air and gives a blast which may be heard for a mile, warning the troops of a gas attack. Many a soldier owes his life to the shrill blast of such a horn.

## CONFERENCE PUTS END TO FRICTION

Details of Agreement Between  
Grand Trunk Railway and  
Employees.

### WAGE RAISE SATISFACTORY

Amounts to an Average Advance of  
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Year—Other Labor News.

Average increase of \$300 yearly, a nine-hour working day and time and a half for overtime and work on legal holidays, have been granted employees in the mechanical departments of the Grand Trunk railway. The agreement, drawn up between the Federated Trades and the company, came after a week's session by the board of conciliation and investigation. Other concessions granted by the railroad are: Grievances committees are to be established in shops; employees are not to be laid off in order to equalize overtime, and when reduction of expenses is necessary an eight-hour day shall first be resorted to and then reduction of force along lines of seniority. The agreement, beginning March 1, runs for a year. After that time it can be changed upon 30 days' notice. The company's annual payroll will be increased \$750,000.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, in a prepared statement made an appeal against any conscription of labor. He reviewed the loyal wartime services of the American workman and expressed the hope that nothing be done "to hamper the constructive work of the organized effort of free workers who have been rendering indispensable service and who will stand faithful until victory comes."

The I. W. W. planned a general strike to oppose industrial conscription, according to a resolution taken from one of the 25 I. W. W. arrested in a raid February 3, given a preliminary hearing before a United States commissioner at St. Louis. The resolution was adopted in Seattle November 28, 1917, by Industrial Unions Nos. 700, 537, 500, 400 and 325. Nick Panovich and John Hingeman were adjudged alien enemies and will be interned during the war. The others were held for the grand jury under \$500 bonds each.

The ship carpenters who struck returned to work, with the understanding that their wages would be raised to at least the rate paid carpenters in New York, which is \$5.50 a day. This action was ordered by the officials of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, following the receipt of a telegram from President Wilson asking if the carpenters intended to co-operate with the government or obstruct its war work, the telegram also implying that the adjustment committee of the shipping board would be willing to treat with the men and establish a uniform rate for all shipbuilding carpenters on the Atlantic coast.

Telegraphers employed on the Mexican national railways are seeking recognition of their union, better working conditions and increased wages. The men ask recognition of their organization, authority to enforce rules adopted at a convention of their order last year, and eight hours' pay for the seven hours' work at night.

Of 12 agencies reporting to the bureau of labor statistics, only two, Bridgeport and New Haven, Conn., said there was any shortage of labor. Boston, Providence, New York, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul reported sufficient labor for all present purposes.

Negro women are arriving at Little Rock, Ark., from all parts of the South and North, donning bloomers and going to work in the lumber mills. The women receive \$1.50 and \$2 a day for nine hours' work. They "pick out," feed the plane, work in the dry kiln and do other light work around the mill.

Woman section hands employed by the Lehigh Valley railroad on the Shenandoah-Lost Creek branch, went on strike. They receive \$1.80 for a nine-hour day and they are striking for \$2. They will be organized by a union organizer.

Two thousand miners of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company went on strike at Birmingham, Ala., and eight coal mines became idle. Miners contend the terms of their wage agreement are not being lived up to by the company.

One hundred switchmen walked out on the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern in Gary, Ind. The company had restored two switchmen who refused to participate in the September strike.

First results of the wage settlement in the shipbuilding industry were seen by officers of the United States employment service when more than 1,000 men registered as shipbuilders at the New York city office.

Boot repairers are so scarce in Nun-eaton, England, that the board of guardians has decided to establish a boot repairing department in the work-house.

An official report of the British triple labor alliance just issued shows that the 278 delegates present at the conference represented 1,288,000 members.



### ON GUARD

At this time of the year people feel weak, tired, listless, their blood is thin, they have lived indoors and perhaps expended all their mental and bodily energy and they want to know how to renew their energy and stamina, overcome headaches and backaches, have clear eyes, a smooth, ruddy skin, and feel the exhilaration of real good health tingling thru their body. Good, pure, rich, red blood is the best insurance against ill of all kinds. Almost all diseases come from impure and impoverished blood. It is to be noticed in the pale or pimply face, the tired, haggard appearance or the listless manner.

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